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Dear Friend:

Last month, we commemorated the first anniversary of the June 2016 flood. This communication may seem long overdue; however, we are pleased to inform you that the state has recently received an award of recovery funds to address the housing devastation left from our June event. It has been determined by recovery efforts thus far, that you may be able to receive further housing assistance. The funding we have secured from Congress is not enough to fulfill all our unmet needs and assist every impacted citizen, but the Governor and the Cabinet Secretary of Commerce will continue our fight to get more funding for West Virginia.

For now, we have received an award to address housing needs of our citizens. This effort is named RISE West Virginia. It is our belief that our state will rise from this flood more resilient than ever and that our people will continue to overcome the devastation and prosper.

The state is very proud of the key recovery partners that have assisted us in relief thus far. The efforts of the National Guard, Emergency Services, VOAD, Long Term Recovery Committees, Educational Institutions, and the hundreds of philanthropic organizations, that are giving not only their service, but also dedication, has brought us to where we are today. We are hopeful that this further relief will continue to push us forward. West Virginia will RISE! When you see the RISE logo below, it represents our united recovery effort in the state.

This critical assistance will be provided by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, or HUD, through the State Resiliency Office housed within the West Virginia Development Office. Assistance will be considered based on a thoughtful and easy information gathering session with our distribution team. We highly encourage you to apply for this opportunity for recovery. Beginning August 1, 2017, the process to access these funds will begin and you can apply in one of the following ways:

File an application online at [www.RiseWV.com](http://www.RiseWV.com).

Call (844) 882-1942 to schedule an appointment at one of the field offices listed below to apply in-person.

Charleston Office  
4202 MacCorkle Avenue, SE  
Charleston, WV 25304



White Sulphur Springs Office  
706 East Main Street  
White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986